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***Response to Amendment***

The reply filed on May 15, 2006 is not fully responsive because it fails to include a complete or accurate record of the substance of the telephonic interview. 37 CFR 1.133 requires the applicant to file a complete written statement of the reasons presented at the interview as warranting favorable action. It is unclear if the copy of the interview summary mailed March 15, 2006 and included in the applicant's response of May 15, 2006 is the applicant's written statement or merely provided for the convenience of the examiner. Since the above mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME LIMIT MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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